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THE UNSOLVABLE PROBLEM.

The negro question confronts us and will confront us for a long time, and will continue to move away farther from solu tion. Radical as was the change from slavery to freedom, there was no impossibility of a peaceful and practical adjustment to new conditions, if violent and extraneous influences had not been active ly set to work. The assumption was made by those active for the liberation of the slave that he was a human being unlawfully held in bomdage, and in that state of being deprived of all the rights, privileges and advantages of manhood; but behind his dark skin and his darkened intellect there shone all the brightness of Caucas ian intelligence, and it might be, with the same scrubbing applied to body as to mind, the same purity of Caucasianskin for these philanthropists did not deign to notice those ethnological oppositions mental as well as physical, that stand between the white and the black races and set to work, and still keep at it, to efface all differences, and join what God has put asunder, in modern, patent, bu man plan of fusion. They set out on their crusade of quiel

the doctrine of the Declaration of Inde

pendence, that all men are born free and equal; and straightway gave to the an tutored African, the inexperienced slave, o a race which, since the birth of Adam, had never known what freedom was, what government was, immediate and full par ticipation in the conduct of a government of all others based upon intelligence, virtue and individual self-control. They went a little farther, with a funciful idea -for we do not ascribe any malice to wards the Southern whites, oh no!that the blacks, freed from the curse of slavery, might eventually become white, body and soul, to enforce the idea of civi rights and social equality. In both these movements, the worst result is the detach ment and alienation of the black from the white, in politics, in religion, in sym pathy. Seeing that, in the first, he has become a notable, subservient tool with out the conscious idea of a political principle, and that in that relation his power for harm is measured and anticipated, we refer to another feature of alienationthat of religion. In this the consequences will be disastrous beyond measure. Then is a landable satisfaction at the apparent spread of the Gospel among the negroes. the increase of their churches, the swarm of their preachers, the enthusiasm of their services. But it is forgotten that the preaching of the Gospel is a sacred trus: to be committed only to safe and worthy hands; and that, when the colored supervision of the white churches, when they expound the Scriptures after then own construction, there are upt to grow up some strange misconceptions of mean ing as well as some vital errors of doctrine. Constructions as wide from facts as those of the Mormonelder who proved from Scripture to his own satisfaction that navigation on modern methods was practiced in ancient times, because h read in the voyage of Paul to Rome that the captain of the ship "fetched a com pass to Rhegium," are likely to be made by these sable expounders, in ignorance of the right meaning of words. Errors of doctrine, such errors as drag Christianity rapidly back into paganism, are more im minent, and infinitely more dangerou than those that come from ignorance of words. Ignorance, credulity, excitability among hearers, and enthusiasm or ambition of leadership in the creation of new sects, make possible and practicable such monstrons impositions as are now practiced in Liberty county, in Georgia, where God Himself has been worshipped in the person of a deranged white man from Ohio, the Messiah welcomed in the per son of a well known field hand, and the Virgin Mary adored in the form of a strapping negro woman; and where, as elsewhere among the benighted and se cluded negroes of some of the Southern States, human, more strictly infant, sacri fice has been made to the rude and bloody ideal of a God, still worshipped as the

Christian's God. The problem will never be solved until there is a candid acceptance of a fundamental and inexorable fact, and that is the subordination of the race, by its own conduct on the stage of the world's action, admittedly inferior, to the one which, on that stage, has proved its title to supremacy. The subordination may be useful and agreeable, or it may be otherwise. It may be humiliating to admit it, and escape from its necessity may be sought by wholesale immigration. The result will be the same. The mass must fall when the support is removed. Homogeneous negro communities, colonies, States, will as certainly retrograde, even under the leadership of Douglass or Langston, as Hayti relapsed into barbarism though led in its early days of liberty by men as able and enlightened as Toussant L'Ouverture or Christophe.

The Behring Sea difficulty is one very the American people. The locality is so remote as to be unknown to ninety-nine hundredths of Americans, and only known to them as associated with that most offensive of all things, a monopoly, and that most unpopular of all things few nice with plain people, the extravagancies of mas of the street ear line. Table

fashion. It is not pleasant to think that the two greatest nations of the world should go to war that the rich women and girls of one of them should have unstinted supply of scal skin sacones. As a matter of sentiment, we favor the protection of the seal, now hunted almost to its last refuge, exterminated in many places and now threatened with extirpation : the Behring Sea waters. But Mr. Blaine oe Mr. Harrison, or both, have gone th wrong way about obtaining rights of redress. Both of them have flown in th face of precedent in the construction of what is a "mare clausum;" both of then have departed from Republican construction of what are maritime public rights a between headlands; both of them have disregarded the dictum of the law of na tions in defining off shore rights and nrisdiction. The law is against you Mr Blaine, and the people do not want to be oreed into a war with their big and strong brother with the consciousness of eing in the wrong

DR. GRISSOM'S CASE-THE PO-SITION OF THE CITIZEN.

The State Chronicle in its last issue, to trengthen its own position against Dr. irissom, tabulates the press of the State n opposing columns, of those for the "tomoval" of that gentleman, and these opposed to such measure, classifying THE CITIZEN among the first. The term removal" implies the existence of som external coercive force to be applied to a stubborn or recalcitrant party, covieted legally of the offence with which he had stood charged. For certain of ences Dr. Grissom was investigated, not ried, before a specially constituted, pre lecide by a majority of votes whether the charges were or were not sustained It might be a question, even if the fin ng was that the charges were sustained that the tribunal could, of its own fore proceed to the extent of the "removal of the accused. As the charges were deided by a majority not to have been ustained, the case remains altogether in solution, with practical application of the hands of Dr. Grissom himself whether he bends before the weight of public opin on, so industriously sought to be created against him, or whether he will stand to is own defence, or hold his position until it reaches its legal term of expiration Certainly there is no legal power in be ing to force his removal; and it is dam iging to the moral power of the laws of the State, veneration for and obediene to which it is the bounden duty of a good citizens to inculeate, to invoke unchinery outside of the law to effect of iects not attained within, and by the use of, the law.

THE CITIZEN did not, does not call for he "removal" of Dr. Grisson: It doe think the heathful influence of Pr. Gris om, as superintendent of the important State institution over which he presides seriously impaired, it not destroyed by the incidents of the investigation, and that his withdrawal would be junicious. but the matter is in his own hands

Here is what THE CITIZEN did say: Those who know him best know that r. Grisson stands exonerated. But nose who know the public sentiment just feel that the efficiency of the instituion must be impaired by his further con action with it. Acquittal carries wit personal vindication, but it does no ry within the restoration of that equ crum in the public mind which will store to its easy channel that old cont dence in Dr. Grissom the public once had The suggestion of his retirement is ver poinful to us; for there is no gentlema an he holds depends for its value and sefulness upon unbounded and ma ms public confidence; and it is evident now that unanimity is withdrawn.

It would be a singular outcome of party chagrin that the member of Congress from North Carolina so hitherto osignificent in his seat, and of so little reight at home, should prove to have influence enough to prove the marplot of Republican schemes. That party with a agority of seven in the House, has felt trong enough to wrangle over the Speakership. There has been no calculation of disaffection among the truly oyal, North and South, the discipline o the party lash proving always effective, especially when its sting was blunted by a sop. But then comes the trouble; the sops have been withheld from Southern barkers, or have been injudiciously dis- JEWELER, pensed. And at least a very influential body, of really hard workers, in North Carolina, men faithful through thick and thin, and held also in high esteem by all men, such men as J. C. L. Harris, I R. Young, Gen. Phil Hawkins, T. M. Cooper, J. R. Boyd, Rufus Amis, John Nichols, T. B. Long and others, men whom no judicious administration could afford to despise, have either been neglected entirely or assigned to such offices as mor tally personal pride or rebuke party zeal. All that we choose to say is, that this flustration of party justice is very edifying to us Democrats; and we do not pre pose to insinuate any advice tending to harmony; and we can say to Mr. Brower "go in, and win, if you can,"

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